

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AREA OF CONCENTRATION IN ARTS & SCIENCES (AA)

Award: Associate of Arts Degree

No. of credits required: 60

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Program Description

This area of concentration is designed primarily to prepare students for transfer to baccalaureate programs with majors in Political Science or International Relations.

Program Goals

Upon completion of the AA in Political Science, students will be able to:

1. Evaluate rival theories and interpretations of fact through critical thinking.
2. Analyze current issues/events through historical and contextual lenses.
3. Construct personal political opinions supported with relevant evidence.
4. Evaluate the connection between themselves and the communities in which they live (local, national and global).
5. Identify ways to participate effectively in the democratic process.

Transfer Information

Many liberal arts colleges and universities offer International Relations as a major, either as its own degree program or as an option under the Political Science major. The political science courses at Harford are accepted for transfer to Maryland colleges and universities and to public and private institutions nationwide.

Employment Information

The area of concentration in International Relations prepares students for careers in government, foreign service, international organizations, trade, international business, teaching and research.

Degree Requirements

Recommended Course Sequence

First Semester	Credits
ENG 101 English Composition (GE)	3
GEOG 103 World Regional Geography (GB) (D)	3
PS 101 American National Government (GB)	3
Biological/Physical Science Elective (GS) (https://catalog.harford.edu/general-education/#science)	3
Physical Education Elective	1
Credits	13
Second Semester	
ECON 101 Macroeconomics (GB) or ECON 102 or Microeconomics (GB)	3
ENG 109 English Composition: Research Writing	3

PS 201 Introduction to International Relations (GB)	3
MATH 216 Introduction to Statistics (GM)	4
General Elective	3
Credits	16
Third Semester	
ANTH 102 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (GB) (D)	3
HIST 202 The Twentieth Century World (GB) (D)	3
Arts/Humanities Elective (GAH)	3
Biological/Physical Lab Science Elective (GL) (https://catalog.harford.edu/general-education/#biological-physical-laboratory-science)	4
General Elective	3
Credits	16
Fourth Semester	
CMST 101 Speech Fundamentals (GI)	3
Select one of the following:	3
HIST 204 History of Modern Russia	
HIST 214 History of the Middle East (D)	
HIST 218 History of the British Isles	
Arts/Humanities Elective (GAH)	3
General Elective ¹	6
Credits	15
Total Credits	60

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It is recommended that students choose general elective courses that best meet the degree requirements of the receiving institution.

General Education Degree Requirements

Note: The following codes identify courses which satisfy the General Education Degree Requirements:

Behavioral/Social Science (GB)
English Composition (GE)
Arts/Humanities (GAH)
Interdisciplinary and Emerging Issues (GI)
Biological/Physical Laboratory Science (GL)
Mathematics (GM)
Biological/Physical Science (GS)